

7th and 8th Grade Parents: Your children may be eligible for a college scholarship

Indiana's 21st Century Scholars Program offers income-eligible Hoosier students up to four years of paid tuition at an eligible Indiana college or university after they graduate from high school. (The scholarship amount may be adjusted based on the family's ability to contribute to a college education.) In middle and high school, Scholars are connected to programs and resources to help them **plan**, **prepare**, and **pay** for college. Once in college, Scholars receive support to complete their college degrees and connect to career opportunities. 7th and 8th grade Indiana students whose families meet income eligibility guidelines can apply to become a 21st Century Scholar. **Applications must be received by June 30 of the student's 8th grade year**.

In exchange for college tuition and free support services, 21st Century Scholars make a commitment to 21st excellence in school and in life. When students enroll in 7th or 8th grade, they pledge to:

- ✓ Graduate with at least a Core 40 Diploma from a high school accredited by the Indiana Department of Education.
- ✓ Participate in the Scholar Success Program to help plan, prepare and pay for college success.
- ✓ Achieve a cumulative high school GPA of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
- ✓ Not use illegal drugs or alcohol, or commit a crime or delinquent act.
- ✓ Apply for admission to an eligible Indiana college, university or proprietary institution as a high school senior.
- ✓ Apply on time for state and federal student financial aid (by March 10 of their senior year of high school).

Apply online at Scholars.IN.gov and provide:

- ☐ Student's Social Security Number, date of birth, and address
- ☐ Parent or guardian's Social Security Number or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number, if applicable
- ☐ 2014 gross income amounts for *all members* of the household. (If applying before December 31, 2014, use 2013 gross income.)
- ☐ A valid email address (free email accounts are available at Yahoo.com, Gmail.com, Hotmail.com, and Live.com)

21st Century Scholars Program Income Guidelines (2014-2015)

Household Size	Maximum Annual Income
2	\$29,101
3	\$36,612
4	\$44,123
5	\$51,634
6	\$59,145
For each additional person in the household at \$7,511	

Questions?

Call us at 1-888-528-4719 or send an email to Scholars@che.in.gov.

